

## CLAIMS

1. A corrosion inhibiting composition for use in inhibiting the corrosion of metallic surfaces exposed to an industrial fluid comprising a mixture of (a) a fatty acid ester, and (b) polyethylene glycol ester, such that the weight ratio of (a) to (b) is 1:1 to 1:10.
2. The composition of claim 1 wherein component (a) is selected from the group consisting of sorbitan monostearate; sorbitan monopalmitate; sorbitan monooleate; and, sorbitan sesquioleate; and mixtures thereof.
3. The composition of claim 2, wherein component (b) is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene glycol dioleate having an average molecular weight of from about 400 to 800.
4. The composition of claim 3, wherein the weight ratio of (a) to (b) is from about 1:1 to about 1:10.
5. A method of inhibiting corrosion on metallic surfaces in contact with a fluid contained in an industrial fluid system which comprises adding to such fluid an effective corrosion controlling amount of a composition comprising the corrosion inhibiting composition of claims 1, 2, 3, or 4.
6. The method of claim 5 wherein the pH of the fluid is from about 5 to about 9.
7. The method of claim 6 wherein the dosage of corrosion inhibiting composition is from about 1 ppm to about 60 ppm, based on component (s).

8. The method of claim 7 wherein the temperature of the fluid is from about 10° C. to about 250° C.

9. The method of claim 8 wherein the fluid is an aqueous fluid.

10. The method of claim 9 wherein the industrial fluid system is selected from the group consisting of cooling water systems, boiler systems, heat transfer systems, pulp and paper making systems, and food and beverage systems.